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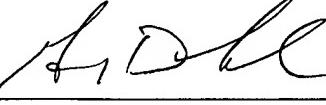
In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed April 27, 2004, the Applicants hereby elect without traverse the claims of Group I – claims 1-13 and 16-21 drawn to a pasta product and container. The Applicants reserve their right to file a divisional application with the claims of Group II - claims 14, 15 and 22-27.

Examination of the application is requested. Any questions regarding the above election should be brought to undersigned's attention.

Respectfully submitted,

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